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SUBJECT: DETERIORATION IN ROK-JAPANESE RELATIONS

REF: SEOUL 6061

1. RANARD, EA/K, TELEPHONED JAPANESE POLITICAL COUNSELOR

KURIYAMA MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 13 AND REQUESTED THAT HE PASS

URGENT MESSAGE TO AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA ON BEHALF OF HABIB

REGARDING CURRENT GOJ/ROK DISPUTE. HE ASKED THAT

AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA REPORT THESE VIEWS TO TOKYO.

2. SUBSTANCE OF MESSAGE CONVEYED WAS:

A. WE UNDERSTAND THAT DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN KOREA AND JAPAN
ARE AT POINT WHERE THEY APPEAR CLOSE TO SETTLEMENT;

B. REMAINING OBSTACLE APPEARS TO BE MINOR CHANGES IN
WORDING OF TANAKA LETTER;

C. DETERMINATION OF WORDING IS RESPONSIBILITY OF KOREANS
AND JAPANESE AND IT IS NOT OUR INTENTION TO BECOME INVOLVED
IN THIS PROCESS;

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D. WE WANT, HOWEVER, TO REITERATE OUR INTEREST IN AN

AMICABLE SETTLEMENT. IF THE JAPANESE FIND IT POSSIBLE TO ACCOMMODATE KOREAN DESIRES THIS COULD PROVIDE THE KEY TO A "BREAKTHROUGH". RANARD STATED HE USED THE TERM

"BREAKTHROUGH" BECAUSE HE HAD NOTED THAT JAPANESE HAD INFORMED SEOUL THEY WERE INTERESTED IN OPENING AN "AVENUE OF BREAKTHROUGH".

3. KURIYAMA HAD NO COMMENT REGARDING MESSAGE AND PROMISED THAT VIEWS WOULD BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY TO TOKYO.

4. FOR SEOUL: IF YOU FIND IT USEFUL, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO INFORM MOFA OF ABOVE AS PART OF OUR CONTINUING EFFORTS TO BE HELPFUL WITHOUT BECOMING INVOLVED IN "HAGGLING" OVER SPECIFIC WORDING. KISSINGER

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